

Mahoning County Mental Health and Recovery Board Meeting
November 20, 2017
Minutes

Present: Anne Cobbin, Rocco DiGennaro, Scott Fowler, Bill Gambrel, Chief Bob Gavalier, Bishop C.M. Jenkins, Anne Lally, Ruth Mastriana, William Morvay, Patricia Sciaretta, Eric Ungaro, Thomas Vasvari, and Linda Warino

Absent: Carl Alexander, James Bertrando, Marilyn Burns, Anna Howells, and Sue Paluga

Staff: Duane Piccirilli, Brenda Heidinger, Mark Dunlap, and Aimee Schweers

Guests: Joe Caruso, Compass Family and Community Services, Angela DiVito, Coalition for a Drug Free Mahoning County (DFMC), Madison Goske, Rescue Mission, Jeff Magada, Flying High, Inc., Larry Moliterno, Meridian HealthCare, and Joe Shorokey, Alta

Atty. Wm. Scott Fowler, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

24 – 2018: Motion: Tom Vasvari – to approve the minutes of the October 23, 2017 MCMHRB meeting. Seconded: Pat Sciaretta...motion carried.

Officer Reports

A. Chair Report

- Welcome new board member, William Morvay
- Larry Moliterno spoke about the Commons at Madison and welcomed the board to the building

B. Treasurer Report

- Eric Ungaro, Treasurer reviewed the Treasurer's report for October Mahoning County MHR Board and noted a balance in the amount of \$7,175,637.18

25 – 2018: Motion: Eric Ungaro – to approve the October 2017 Treasurer's Report. Seconded: Bill Gambrel...motion carried.

- Approve blanket list of bills for October 2017

26 – 2018: Motion: Eric Ungaro – to approve the blanket list of bills for October. Seconded: Rocco DiGennaro...motion carried.

Committee Reports

- **Ways and Means (November 13, 2017)**
 - Anne Cobbin, Chair, provided an update on additional funding that will be made available from Ohio MHAS in the amount of \$99,800.00
 - Anne Cobbin discussed the non-billable activities for Alta's First Program in the amount of \$16,848.48

27 – 2018: Motion: Anne Cobbin – to provide funding in the amount of \$16,848.48 to cover the costs of the non-billable activities for Alta's First Program. Seconded: Eric Ungaro...motion carried.

- Anne Cobbin provided an update on indigent claims that have been paid to Turning Point Counseling since July 1, 2017. She explained that the board is still providing funding due to contract language and asked that the board update the language in the SFY2019 contracts to include that the provider must have all non-Medicaid claims submitted and adjudicated by September 30, 2018 to receive payment from the prior fiscal year.

28 – 2018: Motion: Anne Cobbin – to update the contract language in the SFY2019 contracts to include that the provider must have all non-Medicaid claims submitted and adjudicated by September 30, 2018 to receive payment from the prior fiscal year.

Seconded: Ruth Mastriana...motion carried.

- Duane Piccirilli discussed the update on Turning Point's repayment status.
- An overview of Mahoning County's 2016 audit was included in the board packet

Executive Director Report (see attached November 2017 report)

- Crisis Text Line
- Regional Withdrawal Management/Detox Beds Information Update
- Psychotropic Drug Reimbursement Program for County Jails in Ohio
- Opioid Summit
- JJC will apply for BHJJ grant from OhioMHAS
- Press conference – Duane invited the board to the "Take Charge Ohio" press conference to be held on Tuesday, November 28, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. in the board's conference room.
- Braking Point – Duane explained that there is a former BP staff member reviewing signed releases faxed in, who will provide the medical record.

Old Business

- None

New Business

- None

Board Member Remarks

- Atty. Wm. Scott Fowler thanked board members for their hard work and wished them a Happy Holiday Season
- Rocco DiGennaro thanked Meridian, Compass and Help Network for their use of union workers for the Commons at Madison.
- Bishop C.M. Jenkins compliment Flying High, Inc. for their welding school. He also encouraged board members to utilize churches for assisting individuals.

Provider Remarks

Joe Caruso, Compass

- Welcomed board members to Commons at Madison
- Explained that all tables and chairs at Commons were provided at cost by Gasser Chairs Company
- Crisis Stabilization unit under construction at 284 Broadway, hoping to be ready by January, 2018

- Thanked board for purchasing tickets to OhWow; stated over 100 families attended an event there in October, 2017
- Invited board members to tour the facility at 420 Youngstown-Poland Road
- Will apply for grant through Ohio Capital Corporation for Housing (OCCH) for computers, activities for clients and to finish sidewalk around the Commons

Jeff Magada, Flying High, Inc.

- Thanked Board for attending ribbon cutting for new welding school
- Explained that welding school consists of 15 weeks in the classroom and 6 months on the job training with an employer

Joe Shorokey, Alta Behavioral

- Thanked Board for their support for First Program
- Thanked Board for purchasing tickets to OhWow; hoping to have approximately 75 families for an event on January 21, 2018
- Kim Kehl will visit Alta regarding their trauma informed care

Larry Moliterno, Meridian Healthcare


- Invited board to staff and client Thanksgiving lunch on Tuesday, November 21, 2017 at the Commons at Madison
- Stated that they are looking to purchase land around the property at 550 W. Chalmers
- Said that they are involved with the Sheriff's Office Quick Response Team (QRT)
- Completing agency's strategic plan
- Stated that new "pop up" facilities are challenging the current system

Angela DiVito, DFMC

- Stated that the last resource guide was distributed in 2012 by Help Hotline and that now it is only on-line. The DFMC will update and print a resource guide and will sell ads for the book
- Friday, December 15, 2017 is open house at their new office located at 8166 Market Street from 1-4 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Minutes reported by:


Linda Warino, R.N.
Secretary

Minutes recorded by:


Aimee Schweers, OCPS
Administrative Assistant/Prevention Trainer